

how splitting responsibility for creating sections of the intranet by department can cause problems due to departmental rivalry. (I never trusted that HR department, anyway.)

In one or two places, Tredinnick doesn't stick to his argument. Although the book emphasises the need for user-focused intranet thinking, rather than technology-driven sites, he becomes unnecessarily technical and prescriptive in stating that any documents not in HTML format, such as PDF, or Word documents, should be discouraged from being distributed via the intranet, because their format doesn't lend them to effective linking. But who is to police this format monitoring, and who is to do the conversion? It sounds to me like reinventing the dreaded webmaster role, the bottleneck that prevents the company website ever being up to date.

My experience of intranets is that however imperfect the new world they represent, and whatever legacy formats might be involved in getting the site running from day one, it's usually better than what was there before. Armed with Tredinnick's useful guide, one of the few critical guides available that enable you to create a sensible intranet strategy, the intranet can become steadily more effective.

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## **Press Releases & News**

### **Adept releases Onfolio 2.0**

Adept Scientific releases Onfolio 2.0, an RSS reader, capturing references from online sites such as newspapers and academic databases. It is used for web research.

Building on the productivity tools in the award-winning web research product,

the new edition adds automatic reference capture from a variety of online sites including newspapers, magazines, academic journals, RSS feeds and academic databases. The Academic and Scientific Edition also adds a bibliography tool and automatic synchronisation of reference data between Onfolio and EndNote. It claims to be the first browser-based web research tool with the ability to automatically capture reference data and content from online news sites, magazines and book sellers, and to be the first RSS reader to support one-click capture of reference data from RSS feeds into EndNote libraries. In addition to these firsts, the new edition also speeds up the process of capturing and filing references from academic databases and journal hosting sites into EndNote libraries. For people who do not use EndNote, Onfolio includes basic bibliography tools that can place formatted references in MS Word documents and on custom-generated web pages. The entire cycle of online research is more efficient using Onfolio, the comprehensive web information-management tool. Seamlessly integrated with Internet Explorer and Firefox, Onfolio captures bookmarks and stores local copies of Web pages, PDF files, charts, e-mails and more into personalised collections for reliable offline access. The RSS reader makes it simple to read, organise and search RSS feeds, providing timely access to new information. Easy-to-use personal publishing tools allow researchers to effortlessly share information with colleagues. The addition of the new Academic and Scientific Edition enables effective handling of bibliographic references, making Onfolio the ideal tool for academic web research.

New features in Onfolio 2.0 Academic and Scientific Edition include:

- Automatic capture of references from a variety of online resources: journals, newspapers, magazines, scholarly databases – PubMed, ISI Web of Knowledge SM – and Amazon.com
- Live synchronisation of reference data between Onfolio collections and associated EndNote libraries
- Automatic capture of reference data from RSS feeds – including RSS feeds from PubMed searches
- Publishing of research reports with links and bibliographies
- Creation of annotated bibliographies in Microsoft Word or HTML

### **Sage announces new options for library consortia**

SAGE Announces Additional Options for Library Consortia

Thousand Oaks, California, and London, United Kingdom (September 26, 2005) – In response to research and feedback from the market, including discussions with the library community, SAGE is expanding its offerings to consortia customers.

SAGE has expanded and refined its library consortia offerings, providing more choices for SAGE journals content. Designed to provide both small and large consortia with the content needed to meet each of their individual libraries' needs, SAGE will now offer the following purchasing options:

- SAGE Premier Collection provides access to the 400+ SAGE journal titles in the social

sciences, humanities, medicine, engineering, and physical and life sciences, with a backfile to 1999 (for consortia wanting access to all of SAGE's peer-reviewed journals). The SAGE Premier Collection will be available only on the HighWire platform.

- SAGE Full-Text Collections, the ten popular discipline-specific databases, include backfiles extending up to 57 years. The SAGE Full-Text Collections are available only on the CSA Illumina platform.
- SAGE Collections Plus includes all ten SAGE Full-Text Collections plus the SAGE titles not included in the Collections (for consortia research libraries requiring the Collections' deep backfiles as well as complete SAGE journals offering). SAGE Collections Plus is a cross-platform offering with the Full-Text Collections portion available via CSA Illumina and the additional SAGE titles on HighWire.

"As the world of online journals continues to evolve," says Blaise Simqu, President and CEO of SAGE, "we remain firmly committed to listening to librarians and consortia to ensure our products and services meet their needs. These changes reflect that commitment."

### **OUP launches Oxford Digital Reference Shelf**

Already available in North and South America, and launched in the rest of the World in October 2005, this service enables customers to purchase e-reference titles from Oxford University

Press. Created from Oxford's print scholarly references, these e-reference resources are searchable with remote access available. Libraries can purchase titles on an individual basis.

'Highly recommended to all libraries serving researchers in the appropriate fields.' Cheryl LaGuardia, Library Journal

Features include:

- Each stand-alone e-reference is searchable, with a range of search options
- Unlimited and remote access allow for increased usage of your reference collection
- No need for special hardware or an online reader
- Bibliographic references in each title are OpenURL compliant to allow for searching of your library's OPAC
- Continuously growing selection of titles to be offered
- Standard usage reports allow you to track title activity
- Increase usage of the print edition by increased awareness of title

Specifications:

- Web-based articles will be delivered in HTML format
- Flexible hosting options – Choose to self-host within your library's own framework, or have Oxford manage the content for a small annual maintenance fee

- XML files will be delivered to self-hosting libraries
- MARC21 records provided at no charge to allow for linking through your library's online catalogue and web sites.

### Probation Thesaurus published

The NPRIE (National Probation Research and Information Exchange) "Probation Thesaurus" is now available on the NPRIE Website (<http://www.npie.info>).

Click "Probation Thesaurus" from the menu for the interactive javascript version. It will soon be possible to order printed copies, and to download a printable PDF version from the website.

Also on the website is the Glossary of Acronyms and Abbreviations (in Probation). For further details, contact Steve Burgess ([steve.burgess@west-yorkshire.probation.gsx.gov.uk](mailto:steve.burgess@west-yorkshire.probation.gsx.gov.uk)).